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TO MR JACK GARDNER

ASST AIRPORT MANAGER JFK AIRPORT JAMAICA NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT:

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS BEEN RECENTLY INFORMED
BY THE EMBASSIES OF ARGENTINA, GABON, AND VENEZUELA
THAT THEY DESIRE TO OBTAIN AUTHORIZATION TO LAND AT
JOHN F. KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT DURING THE
PERIOD 9 SEPTEMBER THROUGH 15 SEPTEMBER, 1977.

2. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONSIDERS THESE FLIGHTS TO
BE IN OUR NATIONAL INTEREST AND, THEREFORE, REQUESTS
THAT YOU GRANT THEM PERMISSION TO LAND AT THE TIMES AND
ON THE DATES THE EMBASSIES OF ARGENTINA, GABON AND
VENEZUELA WILL BE EXPECTED TO MAKE KNOWN TO YOU.

3. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS INSURED THAT SECURITY
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PROTECTION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE ARGENTINE AIRCRAFT
AND FOR THE DIGNATARY IT WILL TRANSPORT DURING THE
PERIOD OF TIME IT WILL BE AT JFK. FURTHER, THE DEPARTMENT
OF STATE CONSIDERS THE AIRCRAFT AND THE PASSENGERS
WHICH WILL TRANSIT JFK UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE EMBASSIES
OF GABON AND VENEZUELA NOT TO POSE A SECURITY CONCERN.

4. THE DEPARTMENT FURTHER UNDERSTANDS THAT THE EMBASSIES OF ARGENTINA, GABON AND VENEZUELA HAVE OBTAINED LOCAL GROUND HANDLING AGENTS AND ARE PREPARED TO COMPLY WITH CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION PROCESSING. ANY ASSISTANCE YOU CAN PROVIDE THESE AIRCRAFT, THEIR CREWS AND THEIR LOCAL GROUND HANDLING AGENTS TO FULFILL AIRPORT, PORT AUTHORITY, AND US GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

SINCERELY, ALFRED J. WHITE, CHIEF, AVIATION PROGRAMS AND POLICY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF STATE. VANCE

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